

# Chakobo language

**Chácobo-Pakawara** is a Panoan language spoken by about 550 of 860 ethnic tribal Chácobo people of the Beni Department of northwest of Magdalena, Bolivia, and (as of 2004) 17 of 50 Pakawara. Chácobo children are learning the language as a first language, but Pakawara is dormant.<sup>[6]</sup> Karipuna may have been a variant; alternative names are Jaunavô (Jau-Navo) and Éloe.<sup>[7]</sup>

Several sleeping and unattested languages were reported to have been related, perhaps dialects. These include Capuibo and Sinabo/Shinabo of the Mamoré River. However, nothing is actually known of these purported languages.<sup>[8]</sup>

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## Examples<sup>[9]</sup>

### Numerals

nicatsu	1
dafuira	2
unamarana	3
atchayuna	4
chayuna	5

### Pronouns

hiasro	I
miani	you
zonihua	he/she/it/they
noquirzo	we
zunimato	you (pl.)

Chácobo	
<i>Chokobo-Pakawara</i>	
Native to	Bolivia
Region	Beni Department
Ethnicity	1,100 Chacobo (2006), possibly 50 Pacahuara (2007) <sup>[1]</sup>
Native speakers	600 (2000–2007) <sup>[1]</sup>
Language family	Panoan <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Mainline Panoan<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Nawa<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Bolivian<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Chácobo</b></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul>
Dialects	Chakobo Pakawara Karipuna?
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	Variously: <div>cao – Chácobo</div> <div>pcp – Pakawara</div> <div>kuq – Karipuna</div> (confuses Jau-Navo with Kawahib)
Glottolog	chac1251 ( <a href="http://glottolog.org/resource/language/id/chac1251">http://glottolog.org/resource/language/id/chac1251</a> ) Chácobo <sup>[2]</sup> <div>paca1246 (<a href="http://glottolog.org/resource/language/id/paca1246">http://glottolog.org/resource/language/id/paca1246</a>)</div> Pacahuara <sup>[3]</sup> <div>kari1312 (<a href="http://glottolog.org/resource/language/id/kari1312">http://glottolog.org/resource/language/id/kari1312</a>)</div>

## Vocabulary

chii	fire
huisruhuaina	rain
jini	water
mai	earth
oriquiti	food
osse	moon
rsepo	chicha
rsiqui	maize
vari	sun
vistima	star

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12) Karipuna<sup>[4]</sup>  
shin1267 (htt  
p://glottolog.o  
rg/resource/lan  
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## External links

- [Lenguas de Bolivia](http://www.ru.nl/lenguasdebolivia/) (<http://www.ru.nl/lenguasdebolivia/>) (online edition)
- [New Testament in Chácobo](https://www.bible.com/bible/235/MAT.1) (<https://www.bible.com/bible/235/MAT.1>)

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